

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2873

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: E. A. Lester

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 20040726), finally rejecting claims 1, 6, 20, and 22 please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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